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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).	Application Number	09/390,363
	Filing Date*	September 7, 1999
	First Named Inventor	John LEONARD
	Group Art Unit	2131
	Examiner Name	C. Chung
	Attorney Docket No.	LEON3001/BEU

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** \* Filing date must be on or after June 8, 1995; but if before May 29, 2000, then consider a CPA.

1. Please consider the following as the required submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:

- ☒ a. **The Amendment/Reply filed on (date): FILED CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH**
- ☐ b. The Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed on (date):
- ☐ c. The arguments in the Brief/Reply Brief filed on (date):
- ☐ d. The \_\_\_ page(s) of Form PTO-1449 and copy of each listed document filed (date):
- ☐ e. Other:
- ☒ 2. **A THREE- month Petition for Extension of Time is filed herewith.**
- ☐ 3. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment and charge any deficiency in any fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 02-0200.
- ☒ 4. **A check in the amount of \$860.00 (\$385 - RCE/\$475 - 3 month EOT) is submitted herewith.**
- ☐ 5. This Request is transmitted by facsimile to number (703) \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ 6. Other:

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In re U.S. Patent Application of:	)	<u>Group Art Unit:</u> 2131
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**For: System And Method For Enabling The Originator Of An Electronic Mail Message To Preset An Expiration Time, Date, And/Or Event, And To Control Processing Or Handling By A Recipient**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

(Filed Concurrently With Request For Continued Examination)

Honorable Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA. 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is in response to the final Official Action dated February 24, 2004.

A petition for a three-month extension of time together with the appropriate fees accompanies this response so that it is timely filed. A Request for Continued Examination also accompanies this response.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15.